

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TUESDAY, February 17, 1846 }

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment—roll called and a quorum present.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. James H. Raymond their Chief Clerk, informing the Senate that the House had organized and were ready to proceed to business, also that they had elected the following officers.

For Speaker,	Hon. Wm. E. Crump.
" Chief Clerk,	Mr. Jas. H. Raymond.
" Assistant Clerk,	" Thos. C. Woodlief.
" Engrossing Clerk,	" Ben. F. Hill.
" Enrolling Clerk,	" Ira Munson.
" Sergeant at Arms,	" W. N. Hardeman.
" Door Keeper,	" Wm. Cockburn.

Mr. Wood introduced the following resolution :

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives, of the State of Texas, that a joint committee of both Houses of the Legislature, be instructed to wait upon His Excellency Anson Jones, President of the Republic of Texas, and inform him that the Legislature of the State of Texas having convened and organized, that they are now ready to receive any communication which he may think proper to make.

Resolved further, That His Excellency Anson Jones, President of the Republic of Texas, is entitled to the thanks of the people of this State, for the able and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office, and for his prompt steps in carrying out the wishes of the people in regard to Annexation. Read 1st time, and on motion of Mr. Williamson, laid on the table :

Mr. Parker introduced the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Hon. Jose Antonio Navarro, Senator from Bexar, have the privilege of selecting an Interpreter for the present session of the Senate. Adopted.

A committee from the House of Representatives, the Hon. C. B. Stewart Chairman, invited the Senate to a seat within the Representative Hall, to be present at the counting of the votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Texas.

On motion of Senator Parker, a committee of three were appointed, to inform the House, that the Senate had accepted their

invitation to be present at the counting of the votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

The President *pro tem.*, appointed Senators Parker, Wallace and Phillips, said committee.

The committee through their Chairman Senator Parker, reported duty performed.

On Motion of Senator Wallace, the Senate took recess for half an hour.

Being called to order, on motion of Senator Parker, the Senate proceeded to the Representative Hall.

The two Houses then proceeded to count the votes, whereupon the Speaker announced, that for Governor, J. Pinckney Henderson received Eight thousand one hundred and ninety votes. - - - - - (8190.)

And James B. Miller had received One thousand six hundred and seventy-two votes. (1672.)

For Lieutenant Governor, N. H. Darnell had received four thousand three hundred and nineteen votes. - - - - - (4319.)

And, that Albert C. Horton had received four thousand two hundred and seventy-one votes. (4271.)

J. Pinckney Henderson, having received a majority of votes, was declared duly elected Governor of the State of Texas — and N. H. Darnell, having received a majority of votes, was declared duly elected Lieutenant Governor of the State of Texas.

The Senate having returned to their Chamber, on motion of Senator Grimes, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

Senate met, roll called, and a quorum present.

On motion of Senator Cuney, the Hon. Isaac W. Brashear, Senator from Harris, came forward, presented his credentials, took the oath prescribed by the Constitution, and his seat.

The President *pro tem.*, announced that there were communications upon his table.

On motion of Senator Parker, they were read by their caption, and on motion of Senator Wood they were laid on the table.

Senator Jewett offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President *pro tem.* appoint the following standing committees, to consist of three members each :

A committee on Finance.

"	"	"	The Judiciary.
"	"	"	Military Affairs.
"	"	"	Indian Affairs.
"	"	"	Public Lands.
"	"	"	Internal Improvement.
"	"	"	County Boundaries.
"	"	"	Privileges and Elections.
"	"	"	Claims and Accounts.
"	"	"	Printing and Contingent Expenses.
"	"	"	Engrossed and Enrolled Bills.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

Senator Cuney offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Senate, to act in conjunction with a committee on the part of the House, to make arrangements for the inauguration of Governor and Lieut. Governor.

Senators Cuney, McKinney, and Robinson were appointed said committee.

On motion of Senator Williamson, a committee of three were appointed, to act in conjunction with a like committee on the part of the House, to wait upon His Excellency the President of the Republic of Texas, and also the Governor elect of the State of Texas, and inform them that both Houses of the Legislature were organized, and ready to receive any communication they might have to make.

Senators Williamson, Hogg, and Bagby, were appointed said committee.

A message from the House, through its Chief Clerk Jas. H. Raymond, informing the Senate of the appointment of a committee of five, to wait upon His Excellency the President of the Republic of Texas and heads of Departments, and invite them to attend at the inauguration of the Governor and Lieut. Governor, at such time as shall be designated, and requesting the appointment of a like committee on the part of the Senate.

Senators Wood, Bourland, and Jewett, were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Also that the House had appointed a committee, to wait upon His Excellency the Governor *elect*, and the Lieut. Governor *elect*, and inform them of their election, and know at what time it will suit their convenience to appear and take the oath of office, and be installed—and requesting the appointment of a like committee on the part of the Senate.

Senators Parker, Phillips, and Wallace, were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Also that the House had appointed a committee to wait upon the President, and inform him that the two Houses were organized and ready to receive any communication he might have to make, and requesting the appointment of a like committee on the part of the Senate.

Senators Williamson, Hogg, and Bagby, were appointed a committee on the part of the Senate.

And also that the House had concurred in the appointment of a joint committee, to make suitable arrangements for the inauguration of Governor and Lieut. Governor *elect*.

Senator Williamson, Chairman of the committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the President of the Republic, reported duty performed, and that the President having no communication to make, requested the indulgence of both Houses to deliver his Valedictory on the day of the inauguration of the Governor *elect*.

Senator Parker, Chairman of the committee to wait upon the Governor and Lieut. Governor *elect*, reported duty performed, and that His Excellency had fixed upon Thursday the 18th at 12 o'clock, m., for the inauguration, and that the Lieut. Governor had not arrived at the city.

On motion of Senator Williamson, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

SENATE CHAMBER, }
WEDNESDAY February 18, 1846. }
10 'O CLOCK A. M.

Senate met, pursuant to adjournment: roll called, and a quorum present. Journals of the preceding day were read and adopted. Senator Navarro presented the following communication—

To the Honorable President of the

Senate, of the State of Texas:

The Hon. Senate having done me the honor to allow me the choice of an Interpreter, I have selected Reuben M. Potter, Esq., for that purpose.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully yours,

J. ANTONIO NAVARRO.